

Summer Archeology Project (SAP) Information

The goal of this program is to give volunteers a unique opportunity to work with materials collected from a recent archaeological excavation. These materials have not yet been analyzed and it will be a key job function of volunteers to separate and sort the culturally and non-culturally significant materials. Volunteers will be handling artifacts that may include but are not limited to glass/shell beads, metal, bone, stone tool fragments, ceramic, glass, seeds, etc. **No Prior Experience is necessary.**

Volunteers will receive specialized lab training and be given various archaeological lab assignments. In addition, volunteers will participate in enrichments from special guest speakers on the latest California Missions research and related topics and a relevant fieldtrip. Volunteers will be interpreting their work to park visitors.

Volunteers will be expected to commit to

The Friday session: 8 weeks 6/24 to 8/19, no lab on July 1st)

or

The Monday session: 8 weeks (6/27 to 8/22, no lab on July 4th).

(In addition to the session you sign up for, you are welcome to drop in to any days of the alternate session. For example, if you are signed up for Fridays, you can drop in on any Monday lab.)

By completing this program, participants will be able to:

- Identify artifacts
- Identify general materials that artifacts are made of and where they come from
- Make general conclusions of mission life based on artifacts found
- Understand the California Mission system and it's impact on Native California
- Understand how to conduct archaeological lab work in a professional manner
- Understand some of the scientific methods used in archaeology to gather data from a project
- Understand basic principles of Interpretation and informally present information to the general public.

***There is a \$25.00 materials fee. Please bring on the first day.** This fee is used to defray costs for training materials and lab supplies.



